



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Chief Administrative Officer

At its meeting held September 20, 2005, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Molina made the following statement:

“As public servants, it is critical that we fulfill our most basic commitment to the people—protecting them in the event of a large scale catastrophe. In the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, we owe it to our residents to guarantee that Los Angeles County’s disaster preparedness plans are the finest possible.

“Each winter, heavy rain could potentially cause floods and landslides. An earthquake could occur at any time of the year—and a temblor in the ocean could trigger a tsunami. Whether a natural calamity occurs or terrorists attack Los Angeles, we must have the manpower, the equipment, and a proper plan of action ready to go. If disaster strikes, the public must know they can count on Los Angeles County to do its job.

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Molina, seconded by Supervisor Knabe, unanimously carried, the Chief Administrative Officer's Office of Emergency Management was instructed to report back to the Board at the meeting of October 25, 2005 at 11:00 a.m. on the following issues to ensure Los Angeles County has a proper plan of action if a disaster should strike the County:

1. Post-mortem assessment of lessons-learned from the County's ability to respond to a large-scale disaster, like Hurricane Katrina;

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2. Public outreach campaign plan about steps that Los Angeles County residents should take to prepare in the event of a disaster; and
3. An assessment of the County's current Operational Area Emergency Response Plan with recommendations to improve its effectiveness in responding to a large-scale disaster.

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